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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director, Foreign Broadcast Information Service

THROUGH: Chief, Operations Group

SUBJECT: Monthly Report--Gulf Bureau--June 1986

## I. GENERAL

The phasedown of bureau operations began in earnest during the month with the reduction of bureau operating hours to 5 days per week, Saturday through Wednesday, effective 12 June. On the 14th, editor [ ] departed for direct transfer, and administrative officer [ ] arrived to assist with the myriad details of personnel transfers and separations. The 2-day/week closure of Gulf Bureau is providing an opportunity to iron out any wrinkles in the coverage transfer plan while Gulf and the other bureaus coordinate personnel transfers to take place in July. [ ] the first of several monitors who will be transferred to other bureaus, departed on 1 July.

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## II. OPERATIONS

### A. Editorial/Monitorial

1. The initial phasedown of Gulf Bureau operations began on 12 June with the ceasing of editorial and monitorial operations on Thursday and Friday, and the transferring of primary voice and press agency coverage to other bureaus and the BBC on those two days. A half-day communications shift is being run on Friday morning in order to clear backlogged traffic. Saturday-Wednesday operations will continue through the evening shift of 30 July, at which point the bureau will close operationally.

2. Ramadan ended in the Muslim world in early June with the beginning of 'Id al-Fitr, which was observed by Muslim countries on different days (7, 8, or 9 June). Following a 3-day holiday, and the newsmakers gradually returning to work, the bureau's workload also has slowly risen to pre-holiday levels.

3. The territorial dispute between Bahrain and Qatar over the island of Fasht al-Dibal was, for the time being, resolved peacefully through the mediation of Saudi King Fahd and the other GCC leaders. A decision was made to restore the situation to the state that existed prior to Qatar's occupation of the island on 26 April.

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4. The GCC foreign ministers held the 19th session of their ministerial council from 28-30 June in Al-Ta'if, Saudi Arabia. A statement was issued at the conclusion of the session in which the GCC condemned the bombings of Kuwaiti oil facilities and expressed its determination to confront terrorism "collectively." With regard to the Iran-Iraq war, the ministers expressed regret that the Iranian side "still insists on using the policy of force" and does not respond to efforts by the GCC and others to resolve the issue.

5. At the request of Tel Aviv Bureau, Gulf assumed coverage of (clandestine) National Voice of Iran in Persian from 28 June through 28 July during their Persian monitor's leave. Coverage will be Saturday-Wednesday, with program summaries filed each day.

#### B. Special Services

1. On 14 June the American Embassy in Riyadh requested the bureau refile a three-tape King Fahd interview, appearing in the Kuwait ARAB TIMES in English on 3 June and filed the same date, to the American Embassy in Jakarta. As the bureau no longer had the tapes on hand, the Wire and Communications Center were advised and requested to retrieve the item from MIDAS and refile it, which they did.

### III. ADMINISTRATION

#### Personnel

1. Editor [ ] departed Bahrain on 14 June for PCS transfer to Seoul Bureau. STAT
2. Deputy Chief of P&TB [ ] arrived 14 June for an indefinite TDY to assist with personnel matters in connection with bureau closure. STAT
3. Arabic monitor [ ] departed on 1 July for annual leave en route to PCS Nicosia. STAT

### IV. VISITS

#### From the Bureau

1. Bureau chief [ ] and admin officer [ ] to Mr. Ahmed A. Al-Sherooqi, Media and Public relations director of the Ministry of Information, 17 June, to discuss personnel procedures for closure of the bureau. STAT

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Chief, Gulf Bureau

Att: Monthly Production Report

## GULF BUREAU PRODUCTION REPORT FOR JUNE 1986

### I. TOTALS FROM ALL SOURCES:

TOTAL PUBLISHABLE WORDAGE FILED DURING MONTH	:	144,660
TOTAL NON-PUBLISHABLE WORDAGE FILED DURING MONTH	:	75,360
TOTAL NUMBER OF PUBLISHABLE ITEMS FILED DURING MONTH	:	445

	BROAD CASTS	PRESS AGENCIES	PUBLI- CATIONS
II. <u>INPUT OF REGULAR COVERAGE:</u> (MINUTES OR ISSUES PER WEEK)	10,056	10,650	184.5

### III. OUTPUT FROM ALL SOURCES: (PUBLISHABLE WORDS PER MONTH)

#### AFGHANISTAN

KABUL INTERNATIONAL SERVICE IN ARABIC	-0-	
KABUL IN ENGLISH TO SOUTH ASIA	220	

#### BAHRAIN

MANAMA DOMESTIC SERVICE IN ARABIC	2,020	
MANAMA DOMESTIC SERVICE IN ENGLISH	-0-	
MANAMA TELEVISION SERVICE IN ARABIC	-0-	
MANAMA WAKH IN ARABIC		7,370
MANAMA WAKH IN ENGLISH		2,490
MANAMA AKHBAR AL-KHALIJ IN ARABIC		780
MANAMA AL-ADWA' IN ARABIC		-0-
MANAMA AL-MAWAQIF IN ARABIC		-0-
MANAMA SADA AL-USBU' IN ARABIC		-0-
MANAMA GULF DAILY NEWS IN ENGLISH		1,220
MANAMA GULF MIRROR IN ENGLISH		-0-

#### CLANDESTINE

(CLANDESTINE) VOICE OF ISLAMIC REVOLUTION OF AFGHANISTAN IN DARI	-0-	
(CLANDESTINE) VOICE OF ISLAMIC REVOLUTION OF AFGHANISTAN IN PASHTO	-0-	
(CLANDESTINE) VOICE OF AL-AHVAZ REVOLUTION IN ARABIC	-0-	

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(CLANDESTINE) FREE VOICE OF IRAN	
IN PERSIAN	-0-
(CLANDESTINE) VOICE OF MOJAHED	
IN PERSIAN	-0-
(CLANDESTINE) RADIO IRAN IN	
PERSIAN	-0-
(CLANDESTINE) VOICE OF THE	
LIBERATION OF IRAN IN PERSIAN	950
(CLANDESTINE) NATIONAL VOICE OF	
IRAN IN PERSIAN	-0-

IRAN

TEHRAN INTERNATIONAL SERVICE		
IN ARABIC	4,300	
TEHRAN TELEVISION SERVICE		
IN ARABIC	-0-	
TEHRAN INTERNATIONAL SERVICE		
IN RUSSIAN	-0-	
TEHRAN INTERNATIONAL SERVICE		
IN TURKISH	1,740	
MASHHAD INTERNATIONAL SERVICE		
IN DARI	-0-	
MASHHAD INTERNATIONAL SERVICE		
IN PASHTO	-0-	
TABRIZ INTERNATIONAL SERVICE		
IN AZERI	-0-	
TEHRAN DOMESTIC SERVICE		
IN PERSIAN	12,190	
TEHRAN TELEVISION SERVICE		
IN PERSIAN	-0-	
TEHRAN TELEVISION SERVICE		
IN ENGLISH	-0-	
AHVAZ DOMESTIC SERVICE		
IN PERSIAN	-0-	
BANDAR 'ABBAS DOMESTIC SERVICE		
IN PERSIAN	440	
BUSHEHR DOMESTIC SERVICE		
IN PERSIAN	180	
SHIRAZ DOMESTIC SERVICE		
IN PERSIAN	-0-	
TABRIZ DOMESTIC SERVICE		
IN ARMENIAN	-0-	
TABRIZ DOMESTIC SERVICE		
IN AZERI	-0-	
TEHRAN IRNA IN		
ARABIC	-0-	
TEHRAN AL-SHAHID		
IN ARABIC	-0-	
TEHRAN KEYHAN AL-'ARABI		
IN ARABIC		560

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TEHRAN JOMHURI-YE ESLAMI		
IN PERSIAN	-0-	
TEHRAN KEYHAN IN		
PERSIAN		2,640

IRAQ

BAGHDAD TELEVISION SERVICE		
IN PERSIAN	-0-	
BAGHDAD DOMESTIC SERVICE		
IN ARABIC	480	

KUWAIT

KUWAIT DOMESTIC SERVICE		
IN ARABIC	-0-	
KUWAIT AL-ANBA'		
IN ARABIC		1,340
KUWAIT AL-QABAS		
IN ARABIC		1,830
KUWAIT AL-RA'Y AL-'AMM		
IN ARABIC		3,230
KUWAIT AL-SIYASAH IN		
ARABIC		1,500
KUWAIT AL-WATAN		
IN ARABIC		190
KUWAIT ARAB TIMES IN		
ENGLISH		5,120

OMAN

MUSCAT DOMESTIC SERVICE		
IN ARABIC	1,840	
SALALAH DOMESTIC SERVICE		
IN ARABIC	1,080	
MUSCAT 'UMAN IN		
ARABIC		120
MUSCAT 'UMMAN AL-USBU'I		
IN ARABIC		-0-
MUSCAT ONA IN		
ARABIC	-0-	

PAKISTAN

ISLAMABAD THE MUSLIM		
IN ENGLISH		890
KARACHI DAWN		
IN ENGLISH		350
KARACHI JASARAT IN		
URDU		140
KARACHI MASHRIQ IN		
URDU		-0-

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KARACHI NAWA-E WAQT		
IN URDU		260
LAHORE JANG IN		
URDU		720
RAWALPINDI HAIDAR IN		
URDU		-0-
RAWALPINDI THE PAKISTAN TIMES		
IN ENGLISH		530

QATAR

DOHA DOMESTIC SERVICE		
IN ARABIC	1,730	
DOHA TELEVISION SERVICE		
IN ARABIC	-0-	
DOHA QNA IN		
ARABIC		4,990

SAUDI ARABIA

JEDDAH DOMESTIC SERVICE		
IN ARABIC	2,590	
RIYADH DOMESTIC SERVICE		
IN ARABIC	4,910	
RIYADH TELEVISION SERVICE		
IN ARABIC	260	
RIYADH TELEVISION SERVICE		
IN ENGLISH	-0-	
RIYADH SPA IN		
ARABIC		10,180
AL-DAMMAM AL-YAWM IN		
ARABIC		-0-
JEDDAH AL-MADINAH IN		
ARABIC		-0-
RIYADH AL-RIYAD IN		
ARABIC		-0-

SUDAN

OMDURMAN DOMESTIC SERVICE		
IN ARABIC	-0-	
KHARTOUM SUNA IN		
ARABIC		-0-

UNION OF SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLICS

MOSCOW IN PERSIAN TO		
IRAN	-0-	
BAKU INTERNATIONAL SERVICE		
IN PERSIAN	-0-	
BAKU INTERNATIONAL SERVICE		
IN AZERI	4,920	
DUSHANBE INTERNATIONAL SERVICE		
IN PERSIAN	-0-	
TASHKENT INTERNATIONAL SERVICE		
IN PERSIAN	-0-	
TASHKENT INTERNATIONAL SERVICE		
IN UIGHUR	-0-	
TASHKENT INTERNATIONAL SERVICE		
IN UZBEK	2,440	
YEREVAN INTERNATIONAL SERVICE		
IN ARMENIAN	-0-	
ALMA-ATA DOMESTIC SERVICE		
IN RUSSIAN	-0-	

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ASHKHABAD DOMESTIC SERVICE	
IN RUSSIAN	430
ASHKHABAD DOMESTIC SERVICE	
IN TURKMEN	-0-
BAKU DOMESTIC SERVICE	
IN AZERI	3,800
BAKU DOMESTIC SERVICE	
IN RUSSIAN	-0-
DUSHANBE DOMESTIC SERVICE	
IN RUSSIAN	-0-
TASHKENT DOMESTIC SERVICE	
IN RUSSIAN	-0-
TASHKENT DOMESTIC SERVICE	
IN UZBEK	6,800
YEREVAN DOMESTIC SERVICE IN	
ARMENIAN	-0-

UNITED ARAB EMIRATES

ABU DHABI DOMESTIC SERVICE		
IN ARABIC	1,740	
DUBAYY DOMESTIC SERVICE		
IN ARABIC	-0-	
ABU DHABI WAM		
IN ARABIC		2,690
ABU DHABI AL-ITTIHAD		
IN ARABIC		5,840
ABU DHABI AL-ITTIHAD AL-USBU'I		
IN ARABIC		-0-
AL-SHARIQAH AL-KHALIJ		
IN ARABIC		4,940
DUBAYY AL-BAYAN		
IN ARABIC		1,660
DUBAYY KHALEEJ TIMES		
IN ENGLISH		2,160

UNITED KINGDOM

LONDON AL-MAJALIS		
IN ARABIC		-0-
LONDON ASGHAR AQA		
IN PERSIAN		-0-
LONDON KEYHAN IN		
PERSIAN		3,220

PEOPLE'S DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC  
OF YEMEN (PDRY)

ADEN DOMESTIC SERVICE IN		
ARABIC	14,580	
ADEN VOICE OF PALESTINE		
IN ARABIC	2,420	
ADEN ANA IN		
ARABIC		-0-

YEMEN ARAB REPUBLIC (YAR)

SANAA DOMESTIC SERVICE		
IN ARABIC	4,740	
SANAA VOICE OF PALESTINE		
IN ARABIC	900	
SANAA AL-THAWRAH		
IN ARABIC		-0-